

That Which is Claimed

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1. A method of distributing music to customer households comprising the steps of:

5 blanket transmitting a plurality of music selections to customer households by direct broadcast satellite (DBS) at data transmission rates faster than real time;

providing each customer household with information identifying available music selections that will be transmitted;

10 permitting each customer household to preselect and record desired music selections in conventional compact disc (CD) format;

15 permitting each customer household to permanently select recorded music selections that the customer wishes to maintain for unrestricted playback;

20 communicating permanent selection information from each customer household to a central controller system; and

billing customer households for the recorded music selections that are permanently selected.

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